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Mostly Sunny  
High: 74, Low: 52



**TOMORROW**  
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High: 74, Low: 48

## Highlighting the history of Earth Day

Created in 1970, holiday meant to draw attention to ecological crisis

By **Brittany Roderick**  
Reporter

Earth Day is here. But how much do you really know about it, or even how the campus is celebrating?

In 1970, 20 million Americans celebrated the very first Earth Day. University students are celebrating Earth Day for more than just 24 hours. The festivities began last Friday and will continue until Thursday to culminate Earth Week. They'll screen a film, have panel discussions and try to teach

the rest of the campus community about environmental issues.

But still, some question why Earth Day exists in the first place.

Phillippa Cannon, spokeswoman for the Great Lakes region's Environmental Protection Agency, has an answer.

"Earth Day was the reason President Nixon then created the EPA, because people wanted to protect our environment and were becoming more aware that it needed protection," she said.

As reported by The BG News on Jan. 7, 1970 Environmental Teach-In Inc.'s principal sponsors Sen.

Gaylord Nelson and Congressman Paul N. McCloskey Jr., sent letters to campuses across the nation urging them to support and participate in a teach-in to educate others about the country's ecological crisis. The biggest ecological concerns were cited as, "water and air pollution, the proposed supersonic transport plane, toxic pesticides and noise pollution."

By February 4, 1970 the University's Faculty Senate approved the teach-in based on recommendations from the ad-hoc committee. The committee said, "the momentum

gained through the teach-in [should] be supported on a continuing basis."

"My guess is that for those students to need approval to have the teach-in it meant that students would be able to attend that instead of their regular classes," said Holly Myers, Environmental Action Group adviser.

A teach-in would have allowed much

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## Retail gas hits record \$3.50 a gallon as oil climbs higher

By **Adam Schreck**  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Rising gasoline prices tightened the squeeze on drivers yesterday, jumping for the first time to an average \$3.50 a gallon at filling stations across the country with no sign of relief.

Crude oil set a record for the sixth day in a row — this time closing above \$117 a barrel — after an attack on a Japanese oil tanker in the Middle East rattled investors.

"It's killing us," said Jean Beuns, a New York cab driver who estimated he now makes \$125 to \$150 less per month than in the fall because of costlier gas. "And it was so quick. Every day you see the price go up 5, 6, 10 cents more."

Diesel prices at the pump also struck a record high of \$4.20 a gallon, according to AAA and the Oil Price Information Service. That's sure to add to truckers' costs and drive up the price of food, clothing and other goods shipped by truck.

"You and I are going to pay more," said Bob Costello, chief economist of American Trucking Associations. "Exactly how much ... I can't tell you, but it's got to show up."

Gasoline and diesel prices are expected to keep climbing as they trace the path of crude. Oil prices are charging ahead along with a host of commodities that are enticing speculators seeking hedges against a weakening dollar.

Light, sweet crude for May delivery rose to a record \$117.76 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange before settling at \$117.48, up 79 cents from Friday's close.

Gas jumped more than a nickel over the weekend and is up 23 percent from a year ago. Drivers in New Jersey are paying the least, while drivers in California pay the most, \$3.86 a gallon for regular unleaded.

The Energy Department predicted earlier this month that monthly average gasoline price will peak at more than \$3.60 per gallon in June and could even reach \$4.

"It's uncharted territory," said Tom Kloza of the Oil Price Information Service, Wall, N.J. "I don't think we're done, but I have to believe we're in the eighth or ninth inning" of price increases.

The higher prices are already prompting some drivers to cut back. In New York, Elvis Ragbir and Anthony Winckler said they are driving less and taking the subway more.

"I'm spending my gas money on MetroCards," Winckler said in the waiting room of a vehicle inspection station in Manhattan. Ragbir, a delivery truck driver, said he is looking to trade in his Lexus LS 400 for a smaller car.

In downtown Chicago, Sharon Cooper spent \$52 to fill up three-quarters of the tank in her Toyota Highlander SUV. She said she tries not to let the prices get to her,

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## Drinking the night and your health away

Research links heavy drinking to increased heart problems

By **Colleen Fitzgibbons**  
Reporter

From Thursday to early Sunday, many college students go out with friends, have a good time and drink until they forget about their stressful lives.

But they could be raising their risk of heart problems later in life, according to American Heart Association research recently featured in Time magazine.

The AHA credits cardiovascular problems with drinking excessively, saying it can double the levels of C-reactive protein (CRP), causing cardiovascular problems, AHA research shows.

Dr. Penny Mullins, a staff physician at Student Health Services, said C-reactive protein is a marker for inflammation, which may increase the risk of diabetes and likelihood of cardiovascular problems.

The study done by the AHA in the Times article noted that 25 college students filled out surveys evaluating habits that increase CRP levels.

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### HAVE A DRINKING PROBLEM?

- Have you ever tried cutting back on your drinking?
- Have people ever gotten annoyed about your drinking, or do you get annoyed with others?
- Ever felt guilty?
- Ever drank in the morning just to feel better?

If you answered yes to one of those questions, that is a flag that alcohol could be a problem for you; two is a more significant problem; and three, alcohol is definitely a problem for you.

## USG elects new committee chairs for fall



**John Waynick**  
USG president



**Sundeep Mutgi**  
USG vice president

By **Kristen Vasas**  
Reporter

Undergraduate Student Government continued its transition from the previous to the new administration by voting in and electing new Organizational Liaison Committee and Internal Affairs chairs last night.

At USG's general assembly meeting, nominated senators spoke to the student government about why they would make the best representatives for the new presidency term.

Although both Senators Sarah Shepherd and Rob Emmelhainz were nominated for OLC chair, Emmelhainz won a majority of the votes and took over the position from former OLC chair Leo Almeida.

"Organizations are why I joined USG," Emmelhainz said. "I'm the best person for this job because I have a passion to get the job done."

Although this is Emmelhainz's first year serving on the student government, senators felt he would be able to handle the

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## Infamous Bowling Green fire engine returns to service

By **Ryan Sullivan**  
Reporter

Students swarmed the area around Rodgers Quadrangle as word started to spread that fire engine No. 4 had just lost a battle with the gas supply room connected to the building.

More than six months later, the engine is back in service.

It had been off the road for some time following the crash, which caused \$65,000 in damage to the truck, Fire Chief Stephen Meredith said.

"[The cause] was never determined because we were unable to recreate the problem," Meredith said.

The chief said everything on the truck was repaired and is now back to normal service for the city.

The truck was damaged after running into the gas supply room during a routine grease fire call on Oct. 9.

Around 1 p.m. at the Phi Kappa Tau house, a grease fire started in the deep fryer, but was quickly put out by members of the house.

The fire department was

called to handle the situation and the deep fryer was still smoking when they arrived and started to remove their hoses from the truck. This is when, for still undetermined reasons, the truck started to lurch forward. It gained speed and eventually, crashed into the gas room and caused a natural gas leak.

This leak caused the whole Rodgers building and two fraternity houses to be evacuated.

"The damage done to Rodgers [from the fire truck] was \$17,436," University spokeswoman Teri Sharp said. "We fixed the gas leak the day of the incident. There was no long-term damage [to the building] that we are aware of."

City insurance covered the cost of repairing the gas house, she said.

Along with the cost of repairing the building, the city insurance also covered the cost of fixing the fire truck, City Finance Director Brian Bushong said.

"We have been working with insurance and the folks at the University," Bushong said. "We are not sure why [the fire truck] moved forward though."



BG NEWS FILE PHOTO

**CRASH. BOOM:** In this BG News file photo, Bowling Green Fire Department fire engine No. 4 collided into Rodgers Quadrangle for still undetermined causes.



## BLOTTER THURSDAY

10:24 A.M.

A student reported her debit card was stolen from her wallet that she had left on her desk. The debit card was later reported recovered by the student.

11:44 P.M.

Stacey Hardy of Bowling Green was cited for possession of marijuana less than 100 grams after an officer detected a hint of the drug during a traffic stop.

## FRIDAY

6:43 P.M.

Matthew Williston of Mansfield was cited with possession of marijuana. An officer was sent to the area outside of Harshman for a report of people smoking marijuana. When the officer arrived, he asked Williston to empty his pockets and after asking three times without the pockets being fully emptied, Williston was cited.

## SATURDAY

5:46 A.M.

Police were called to McDonald East after an altercation between a male resident and another student occurred. The female accused the male of pushing her into something and knocking her unconscious but police were unable to find any physical bruises or marks on the female.

## SUNDAY

12:08 A.M.

Marveta Hall and D'erra Jackson of Cleveland were arrested for criminal trespass and disorderly conduct with persistence. The two were arrested after attempting to gain access to the turf section of the field house after it had already been closed down for the night. The pair claimed one of them had left their phone in the room and all they wanted was to go get it. They were told to leave but after they came back and refused to cooperate with the police, they were arrested.

5:34 P.M.

A student reported the theft of her Oakley sunglasses from the Math Science building while the student washed and dried her hands.

9:10 P.M.

A student reported the theft of his bike from the front of Chilly's.

11:22 P.M.

Police performed a welfare check on a student in Batchelder after they received word the student was sending text messages to his ex-girlfriend threatening to harm himself. When the officer arrived, the student told the officer he sent the messages as a way to try to make the girl feel sorry for him and that he wasn't going to hurt himself.

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## EARTH

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more discussion for issues concerning the environment, Myers said, comparing the event to the University's Focus the Nation event in January.

Myers credited the era of the '70s with the reason of the first Earth Day as being celebrated by so many Americans. To Myers, Earth Day seems as if it is a part of the culture, but not a day for learning anymore.

"I don't know, maybe it's that we spend less time outside and more time in front of the computer, but Earth Day won't be the same as the first one. It's just like... Earth Day," she said, shrugging

her shoulders.

When asked if he knew when Earth Day was, or even the first year it was celebrated, junior Will Majcher simply shook his head "no."

"I think in elementary we used to study about recycling that week," he said. "One time we had a project to create stuff out of garbage."

Sophomore Sheri Courtright did not know when Earth Day was, or when it was first celebrated either.

"When we were little, kids we planted trees, and my dad takes pop cans to be recycled," Courtright said.

Courtright said she was never aware that any Earth Day events ever took place at the University.

Still, she said, it is important and "people need to be made aware."

Majcher said he had heard about Focus the Nation and what it was, but never attended. He said if events aren't easily accessible he may not have time to go to them.

"Events that are out in the open are easier to go to, but sometimes you don't even know why the people are standing out front [of the Union]," he said.

Majcher also agreed raising awareness about the environment is important, and those sponsoring campus events should be more clear about what the issues are.

**Earth Week on Campus**  
EAG is organizing this year's Earth Week with the theme, "Consume Less. Live More." Events

continue through Thursday.

Today the controversial film "The 11th Hour" — which describes environmental problems and offers solutions to improve them — will be shown in the Union theater immediately followed by a panel discussion with University professors and College Democrats president Mark Ingles.

"This year, we chose 'The 11th Hour' because it's so controversial," EAG member Moe Mourad said. "Basically this movie says it's too late for us. Hopefully there will be a really great discussion and people will really get thinking."

Tomorrow there will be an Eco-Fair in the Union Oval with booths to educate anyone passing by about environmental prac-

tices. The Outdoor Programs will feature information on "Leave no trace behind," which will teach the public about cleaning up campsites properly.

On Thursday, EAG members will go to dorms and offer to take out trash and recycle in return for charitable donations. At 7:30 p.m. Mike Tamor, executive technical leader of hybrid and fuel-cell research at the Ford Motor Company, will speak about new vehicle technologies such as fuel-celled vehicles which run on electricity in 206 Union.

"We really try each year to do something new that will get more students to come and get them excited about it [Earth Week]," EAG president Jazmine Bennett said.

## DRINKING

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Mullins, who has been board certified in family practice for 11 years, said that other potentially damaging habits include smoking, lack of exercise, poor eating habits, lack of sleep, persistent stress and drug use.

The AHA identified each of the 25 students as either "heavy" drinkers or "moderate" drinkers. Drinking heavily includes three or more alcoholic beverages at least three days a week or five drinks two days a week. Drinking in moderation includes two to five drinks, one to two times a week.

These studies proved that the heavy drinkers had twice as much CRP levels compared to moderate drinkers, which led them to a higher risk of cardiovascular disease.

On the other hand, Mullins said students should not focus on their CRP levels.

"It's better to focus on the here and now being saved; making good decisions, good diet, good exercise, sleep, healthy way of handling stress," Mullins said. "All of those things will benefit you and your heart."

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Dr. Penny Mullins | Staff physician

Mullins also noted that drinking in moderation could actually be beneficial.

"Studies indicate that having a glass of red wine might actually be cardio-protective," she said.

This has to do with the antioxidant properties in red wine, she said, adding that brightly colored vegetables also have these antioxidants.

"I'd reach for the good diet before the wine," Mullins said. "It's not that all alcohol is bad, it's how we use it."

For college students, it's often the wrong way. Between 18 and 22 years old, binge drinking is at its peak but the hangover doesn't stop in college.

"In the here and now alcohol is a central nervous system depressant," Mullins said. "And so when people drink they say 'oh I feel social and fun and outgoing' and what happens is it

suppresses their ambitions and their better judgment."

Damage can be done to the liver and the well-known hangover is also damaging, she said. Blood sugar lowers, causing dizziness, stomach pains can lead to stomach ulcers and dehydration takes place. All this also increases the risks of having colon or liver cancer.

In order to prevent these problems now and in the future, Mullins recommends that if students think they have an alcohol, smoking or drug problem, the University does have an alcohol and drug counselor free of charge and confidential at the wellness connection.

Carrie Dowling-Arndt, alcohol and other drug counselor at the University, said college students have an opportunity now to prevent

and end issues with alcohol and drug use, free of charge.

"That doesn't happen outside of the University setting," Dowling-Arndt said.

She said that currently she has students every hour on the hour come in for counseling and that she does not just try to push them away from alcohol and drug abuse.

"I don't try to move them to just don't drink don't do drugs but to try to move them towards a position on wellness," Dowling-Arndt said.

Dowling-Arndt recalls seeing a student in his early 20s who sought counseling following a heart attack due to exces-

sive drinking.

"It was kind of disconcerting that he was still drinking," Dowling-Arndt said.

While heart problems may be relevant for college students later in life, the here and now is also a major factor. Both Mullins and Dowling-Arndt suggest taking action now.

Dowling-Arndt said even as soon as this summer is a good time to start those changes.

"It gives you the summer time to kind of get really strong in new habits and new activities, so when you come back in the fall that you feel more secure with those changes," Dowling-Arndt said.

## Bowling Green seeks update for water treatment plant

Bowling Green may soon be updating its water treatment system.

At last night's city council meeting, a resolution was introduced that would allow city utilities director Kevin Maynard to seek a loan to pay for the design and construction of an addition to the city's water treatment plant.

Maynard said the city will seek \$11 million from the Ohio EPA and/or the Ohio Water Development Agency for the

proposed addition to improve the quality of water from the city's water treatment plant.

The addition would provide an additional three million gallons of water a day to Bowling Green and is necessary to meet new EPA water purification standards to begin in 2012, Maynard said.

The resolution had its first reading last night and must be read at two more meetings before city council can vote on it.

## CITY BRIEF

BG NEWS WIRE SOURCES

Gunshots were reportedly fired into a Campbell Hill apartment early Saturday morning.

Police said there was an altercation outside the apartment complex at approximately 12:30 a.m. and several gunshots

were fired.

The apartment the bullets hit was unrelated to the altercation, Bowling Green police Lt. Tony Hetrick said.

Three bullet casings and an empty gun case were found in a neighboring apartment, and police said three men somehow related to the apartment have been cleared as suspects. The investigation is ongoing.

## USG

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pressures and commitments that go along with OLC chair.

Senator Molly Albertson acknowledged that Emmelhainz's inexperience may cause minor delays in achieving OLC goals, but she felt he was passionate enough to competently fill the chair.

"His experience may be lacking but he has the potential to make up for it in his will to do better," she said.

The Internal Affairs chair was also elected last night with Leo Almeida taking the position over new Senator Andrew Doepping.

"We need to be fair in order to show students that we are truly representing them," Almeida said. "When it comes to holding senators accountable, I am about business, not about friendship."

Almeida plans on smoothing the inner workings of USG and making sure that senators stay on top of student government related tasks and ideas.

Emmelhainz supported

Almeida due to his involvement in his previous role as OLC chair.

"It's important for people to be dedicated to USG," he said. "I would rather elect someone I can trust to do a good job rather than someone who is newer."

And though past student governments have faced a lack of returning senators during transitional periods, Senator Jeremy Lehman feels that this years USG has not faced any similar recurring problems.

"This has been one of the few years where we didn't have election hangover," Lehman said. "A majority of the candidates who ran for presidential positions and last are in USG or helping students in some capacity."

**Reporter's Notes:** The USG public faculty evaluations are now available on the USG Web site. The evaluations were created in order to give students the opportunity to rank and rate their professors in order to benefit future students and classes. Senators Jessica Molina and Kevin Basch will be advertising the evaluations across campus through chalkboard writings and other publicity tactics.

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**ONE DAY UNIVERSITY:** Jonathan Steinberg of the University of Pennsylvania, who was the former history department chair and taught for 30 years at Cambridge University has a lecture at One Day University that begins with a simple, provocative sentence: "Who was Hitler and where did he come from?"

## Adults give it that new college try

By Kathy Boccella  
MCT

PHILADELPHIA — John Galvin skulks around a lot of colleges campuses on a mission: to find the best professors for One Day University, a new venture that caters to adults eager to relive their college days — if only for a few hours — without the high cost, homework or hangovers.

The profs he selects are not always the most brilliant or celebrated, but the ones whose classes are invariably hard to get into. They teach as well as entertain, and never, ever muddle their lectures with academicese. "That sets off a bell," Galvin said. "In academe, they love the word normative. I don't know what that means."

Nor would most of those attending One Day U, the start-up that's bringing Ivy League cachet to the workaday world of adult learning.

The daylong seminars feature four smart lectures on a variety of topics by world-class professors in a college setting. Odds are the local night school isn't offering the likes of "Neuroscience: On the Frontier of the Brain, Learning, and Memory."

Continuing education is a \$6 billion industry with an array of programs that range from the basics of automotive repair and real estate sales to personal enrichment and spiritual realization, according to William Draves, president of Learning Resources Network, a national association for continuing education.

The business is expected to grow to \$8 billion by 2011, as well-educated baby boomers pursue their love of learning into their golden years.

"They've moved on from an interest in professional development to a new stage of life in which they are interested in avocational and leisure programs," Draves said. "Gourmet canoeing is the ultimate boomer course."

It's for them that Galvin, 38, and his partner, Steven Schragis, 51, founded One Day U in 2006, and it recently visited Villanova University.

The \$219 program goes well beyond the ubiquitous flower arranging and French cinema offerings found at many universities and night schools.

Distinguished professors deliver shortened versions of their most popular lectures in international law, politics, art,

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John Galvin | Student

music, theater, history or psychology. The program, which includes lunch, runs in 10 cities, including Boston, New York and Washington, and draws 300 to 500 people an event. The average age is 59.

"It's a pretty educated, upscale group," Schragis said.

At Villanova, professors from Harvard, the University of Pennsylvania, Columbia and Villanova will each give 55-minute talks with 15 minutes for questions. Unlike other schools that just lease rooms, Villanova was so taken with the idea that it offered to partner with the organizers. The school will receive a percentage of the profits in exchange for marketing support. It will host six events a year.

One Day U fits in with the school's mission of "reaching out to people and giving them the notion that education is a lifelong process," said Jack Doody, director of Villanova's Center for Liberal education, which oversees continuing education programs.

Schragis, the former national director of another continuing education company called the Learning Annex, got the idea for a more upscale, college-for-a-day approach after taking his daughter to Bard College in Annandale-on-Hudson, N.Y. The school offered parents 20-to-30-minute snippets of each class.

"People were so excited to be on campus," he said. "The second you get out of the car and walk around it's a different feeling than taking a course at the Marriott."

Schragis, who formerly published the satirical magazine *Spy*, said that One Day U "guarantees no practical benefit. The audience is not taking these courses to get ahead at work or engage in networking. It's education for education's sake."

While his children were skeptical that people would pay to go to college just for the fun of it, the business has flourished. The company hopes to expand to California and Florida by the end of the year.

## College students rediscovering the crockpot method

By Melanie B. Glover  
MCT

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The crockpot is slowly warming the hearts — and bellies — of many, as it is becoming the unlikely hero of the kitchen.

Take Anita Francesca Claverie's tale of triumph: When a pesky critter chewed through the wires of her stove, rendering it useless, it was Crock-Pot to the rescue.

"My dad felt sorry for us, so he went out and bought us a Crock-Pot that's cute and cheesy-looking," says the University of California-Davis junior.

Claverie, 20, uses her slow cooker to make weekly communal meals — Spanish rice, mole, curries — for fellow residents of the Domes, an alternative-living cooperative at UC Davis. She simply throws vegetarian ingredients into the pot before she heads off to class in the morning. And she's just one of many who agree that nothing is better than coming home to a delicious, warm-cooked meal made by, well, yourself — hours earlier.

Say hello to the new generation of crockpot fanatics. They've ditched Susie Homemaker's family-style meat-and-potatoes for more creative recipes, tailoring their slowly cooked meals to fit their fast-paced lifestyles.

Planning ahead never tasted so good. Since it was made popular in 1971 by Rival's trademarked Crock-Pot, the



BRYAN PATRICK | AP PHOTO

**CROCKPOT:** Anita Francesca Claverie picks up her empty crock pot and makes her way home after a Thursday night communal dinner with 22 friends and residents.

slow cooker has continued to help home chefs prepare stews and other foods with ease.

And it's not just families labeling the appliance a miracle worker. With smaller models that hold 1-1/2 or 3-1/2 quarts, singles also have developed a love for the tool.

On Facebook.com, Gayle Healy of Humboldt State University created a networking group called "The Intercollegiate Crock-Pot Club." There, students gab over their "favorite Crock-Pot color" and more.

Using less wattage than a light bulb, the appliance cooks meals gradually by keeping the temperature around 200 degrees. (A typical slow cooker operates at 176 degrees on low and 194 degrees on high.)

## FETCHING FOOTBALLS IN TREE



RACHEL RADWANSKI | AP PHOTO

**FOOTBALLS:** Up A Tree... Peter Benjamin climbs a tree between West Hall and Prout Chapel to try and dislodge a couple of footballs that had been stuck in the tree since the fall. Why was he the one climbing? "He's the only one who knows how to climb a tree," a friend said.

## Kentucky University students mentor middle-schoolers

By Ashlee Clark  
MCT

RICHMOND, Ky. — It doesn't take face time to be a good mentor.

That's the guiding principle a group of Eastern Kentucky University students followed in a mentoring program that connects them with young people they have never seen.

This school year, the mentors discussed college life and career opportunities with eighth-grade students at five middle schools throughout the state with Blackboard, a Web-based education tool that allows participants to post questions and responses online.

"It's just a great experience," said Ryan Harris, an eighth-grader at Clay County (Ky.)

Middle School who participated in the mentoring.

The mentors and middle-schoolers met in person for the first time Friday at EKVU, where they had lunch and heard a motivational speaker. This is the second year for the mentoring project. It is part of a federal grant program called Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs, or Gear Up. The program's goal is to increase the number of low-income students who participate in post-secondary education. Other facets of Gear Up include campus visits, tutoring and early ACT testing.

In April, Knott Central High School in Hindman did a mini mentoring program for ninth-graders.

## GET A LIFE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Some events taken from events.bgsuedu

8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

**Tye Dye Thom**  
Union Table Space

11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Chocolates with Chef**  
**Billie Jo**  
Falcon's Nest Union

6 - 8:30 p.m.

**Showing of "The 11th**  
**Hour" & Panel Discussion**  
Union Theater

7 - 9 p.m.

**RSA Extravaganza**  
202B Union

9:15 - 10:30 p.m.

**Remembering What**  
**Should Have Been**  
**Forgotten Hurricane**  
**Katrina**  
101B Olscamp

9:30 - 11:00 p.m.

**UAO Presents "Can't**  
**Hardly Wait"**  
Union Theater

7 - 8 p.m.

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# FORUM

"Events that are out in the open are easier to go to, but sometimes you don't even know why the people are standing out front [of the Union]." - Junior Will Majcher, discussing on-campus events to raise awareness [see story, p. 1].

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## PEOPLE ON THE STREET

What are you doing for Earth Day?



"I'm actually going to see 'The 11th Hour.'"

**DUSTIN HAWKINS,**  
Freshman, Environmental  
Policies and Analysis



"I think I'm going to a baseball game."

**ROBERT CLINE,**  
Freshman, Marketing



"I'm going to refill all of my plastic water bottles."

**JILL HAGERMAN,**  
Freshman, Psychology



"I don't really have any plans — just hanging around the dorms."

**VINCENT GLASS,**  
Freshman, Business

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### OUR VIEW

## Building all the wrong dreams

It's no big secret that across campus, many academic buildings are in poor shape. Water drip-drip-drips into Jerome Library, and its front steps are falling apart. Flooding invaded part of Moseley Hall for much of the year. We all have our horror stories.

But don't fret. The University is using tens of millions of dollars for new buildings.

And if the shiny Sebo Athletic Center and Stroh Convocation Center don't take your mind off the trouble, at least they probably do for a few athletics officials.

The Provost hopes that, one day, "brick and mortar" jobs will be a priority for the administration.

Well, that's nice to know.

Now, we don't want to be naive about this.

It's not easy running a university when — let's face it — shiny buildings and sports arenas bring in more students than top academic programs. Certainly it's not that administrators are simply ignoring students (hopefully).

And certainly improvements to academic buildings are in the works, and maybe one day they'll happen.

But we simply don't know whether administrators are working to convince donors that academics

are a priority.

It's true, as University Trustee Mike Marsh argues, that multi-million dollar donations get more play than small donations toward scholarships or residence hall improvements.

But it's also true that shiny buildings are a lot more noticeable — and they're probably what prospective students will remember after they visit.

Here's an idea: Remember the "just say no" campaign against drugs?

We propose a campaign to "just say no" to big donors who want to "boost" the University by building over-sized weightlifting rooms.

Wouldn't that be a powerful statement about how much BGSU cares about academics?

"We appreciate the \$5 million you're offering, but we're primarily interested in spending money in ways that help our students be students. Would you consider putting the money toward the library instead?"

Wishful thinking? Surely.

But wouldn't it be nice?

### YOU DECIDE

What kind of buildings does the University need more or fewer of? Send an e-mail to [thenews@bgnews.com](mailto:thenews@bgnews.com) and tell us what you think, or post feedback on our Web site.

## Carter's trip brings hope for dialogue



**ZACH FRANKS**  
COLUMNIST

Most of us have gone through life with the help of our parents to guide us and teach us lessons. Those who did not had some sort of role model that they learned the difference between right and wrong from.

One of the most important lessons that we learned growing up was that we should settle differences through communication and not physical altercations. Apparently the leaders of this nation were not taught some of these key lessons of childhood.

While our neighbors, family members, friends and classmates risk paying the ultimate sacrifice every day and thousands of miles from home, what are our leaders sacrificing for them?

It took a leader from the past to finally step up and remind our country that we don't have to fight, and we don't have to give in to attempt to end the war on terrorism.

Former President Jimmy Carter traveled overseas and spoke with the exiled leader of Hamas, an Islamic militant group, as well as the president of Syria. Both of these leaders are regarded by the U.S. government as terrorist leaders or sponsors.

And we don't negotiate with terrorists. Hell, we don't even talk to them.

What our bloated windbag politicians have forgotten is that just because you communicate doesn't mean you have to negotiate. For some reason we feel the need to exert this macho persona of being too tough and righteous to even communicate with our enemy.

What are we really giving up by listening to them reason their side, and countering with arguments of our own?

What we would be gaining is more of an understanding of what their driving force is, and what they want to accomplish. Just because we learn what it would take to appease our enemies, doesn't mean we have to gratify their wishes.

I agree that negotiating threats and terrorist actions is a business that should be avoided to prevent an onslaught of such things, but when we fail to communicate we become just as ignorant.

Jimmy Carter didn't go to the Middle East with a boat full of money to bribe Hamas to leave Israel alone, or hook them up with a couple of destroyers to help them out.

Jimmy Carter went to listen to what they had to say in hopes of understanding what could be done to at least make the region more stable.

Do we really expect to just crush all of our enemies into oblivion? It is an impossible cycle to keep up because in reality all we are doing is creating more enemies with every

**"Jimmy Carter went to listen to what they had to say in hopes of understanding what could be done to at least make the region more stable."**

human we slay.

It is true that we were the victims of a horrific attack, but two wrongs don't make a right. If America keeps using its military forces over our diplomacy we are on a crash course to militarism, and undermining the basic ideals that this country was built on.

What makes the situation ever worse is our government's reaction to President Carter's attempt at communication.

Of course Israel and America are not happy with what he is attempting, but the last I checked as an American he is supposed to have the freedom to talk to whomever he wants to and go anywhere his heart desires. But they are already talking of revoking his passport.

This is how we treat a man who led our country, is an advocate of human rights, who has been an obedient citizen and who is trying to let cooler heads prevail. We take away his rights the way we would a felon or a suspected terrorist. And that is not even all that they are considering punishing him with or us, for that matter.

Now there is legislation in Congress that is attempting to shut down funding of The Carter Center, a human rights organization founded by the former president. In other words, they want to take their ball and go home.

It is almost unbelievable that while the government has no problem lining the pockets of oil companies, it also has no problem shutting off funds for human rights. It is starting to seem a little backwards of what this country was founded on.

I'm sure many of us have had to be involved in a group of some sort with somebody we despised, and while America v. terrorists is on a completely different level, the lesson is the same.

We have to work with this person for the greater benefit of our group by putting aside our differences and acting like the adults we were raised to be. We should expect no less of our government.

We are all on this planet together, and so we must work together for the good and benefit of humankind. If we could just live up to those simple lessons we learned growing up, we may have a chance in overcoming any obstacle that stands between us and peace.

— Respond to Zach at [thenews@bgnews.com](mailto:thenews@bgnews.com).

## What the bake sale meant

**JAMIE NAPOLSKI** | GUEST COLUMNIST

When proposing and conducting the Anti-Feminist Bake Sale, I was hoping discussion would be sparked more than anything else.

"Discussion" would be the kindest way to phrase what actually ended up happening last Monday. I'm going to put that aside now and say a fair amount of mostly civilized discussion has arisen due to this event.

Even though a lot of people became pretty "passionate" about their stances, it's good to know many students on this campus, and apparently all over the Internet, are avoiding apathy. (Some were so "passionate," they decided to accuse me of getting in bed with the members of the club, who apparently don't want me to have any rights and hate me, but fortunately I'm not taking it to heart anytime soon.)

I'm now going to explain our stance on this issue that I wish we could have stated more eloquently amongst the excitement of last Monday.

Historically, feminism has been incredibly important. My right to vote, go to school, wear pants, whatever else, are things I do not take for granted due to the actions of women, and men, in the past.

But there is a distinction between women in this movement who encourage voting and those who encourage avoiding an "oppressive" lifestyle.

I thought we made that distinction with those who approached us, but I guess not. I do admit to the sign not helping with that distinction, but frankly, I'm over it.

The traditional family has been painted with the image of being an oppressive or inferior lifestyle for women, mainly by the feminist movement. The stereotypical male breadwinner role is viewed superior to that of the stereotypical female homemaker role.

But how is it necessary, or even possible, to assign superiority to one and inferiority to the other? The roles are reciprocal.

Many feminists, however, tell us that the choice to enter a career is somehow better than taking a role that requires the most dedication to one's family.

I can almost guarantee if you asked any self-proclaimed feminist if homemaker or having a career is more admirable, they would choose career.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### University already working against dangerous drinking

I am writing to address the April 14 column "Univ. needs to curb dangerous drinking."

First, I would like to thank Greg Chick for recognizing that alcohol is an important issue facing college students and campuses. I would, however, like to correct a few of the points that were made in the article.

The BGSU Wellness Connection provides educational programs as well as services related to alcohol. For example, alcohol education is provided

during O-Reg, RA training, First Year Success Series, and UNIV 100 courses.

The BGSU Peer Education Program is a nationally recognized program. The Healthier You Peer Educators (HYPE) provide alcohol presentations at a variety of locations on campus including classes, residence halls, sororities, fraternities and campus events. These programs focus on promoting healthy choices and decision making related to alcohol.

The Wellness Connection also provides the Viewpoints and Perspectives educational courses

for those students who have violated the University Alcohol and Other Drug Policy.

These courses provide students who have violated the policy an opportunity to reflect on their experience, turning what some would view as a "failure" into a successful educational experience.

In relation to activities on campus, the Wellness Connection supports several late-night alternative events on campus.

Examples of these events would include: Late Nite at the Rec, National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week and Big Playground. The Wellness Connection has received a national award for the programming done during National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week.

In addition to the educational programming, the Wellness Connection has a counselor who provides alcohol and other drug counseling and evaluation

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## LETTTERS

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services. Individual counseling is available for support, education, prevention and intervention.

The Wellness Connection shares Mr. Chick's concern. This is why the Wellness Connection provides alcohol education programs and services.

—Faith Yingling  
Director, Wellness Connection

### Concealed carry laws can stop campus shooter

Yes, I know, another column about having concealed guns on campus. But wait, before you roll your eyes and say, "stop flogging a dead horse!" just keep reading because this is going to be simple.

#### FORUM, IN VIDEO FORM

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It doesn't have any statistics, name calling or premonitions of campus-wide massacres. All reading this takes is a little imagination for a small hypothetical event.

Let's begin: It's been a long day, and you're in the last class of the day, staring and silently cursing at the clock hoping time would magically speed up for class to be over.

Unfortunately, the next few minutes will seem like an eternity because some troubled student has just stood up and is now shooting people in your class for whatever reason.

Your first reaction is to cover your head and duck, as if curling up into a ball will create some magical field of protection.

Well, as you can imagine this doesn't stop the individual from killing people, and all you can do is wait and pray he or she will be stopped.

Sadly, there are only three main things that will stop a gunperson, on Ohio campuses, from shooting after they start on: They run out of ammunition, run out of victims or are stopped by the police coming. And let's be rational — by the time

the cops get there, the shooter will have reloaded a couple of times.

Now, back to the scenario. You're huddled there on the floor scared out of your mind, and all you can do is just wait for the shooter to run out of ammo before they get to you.

Now before I completely ruin your day and view on campus safety, let me say there is an alternative.

The only variation in the situation is that Ohio now allows gun permit holders to carry on campus.

Back to the beginning of the scenario. The gunperson just whipped out their gun and starts to shoot; you hit the floor waiting for someone to stop the assault.

But this time, someone in class has a legally concealed handgun and is able to neutralize the attacker before they are able to fire a second shot.

So if this ever happens — and I truly hope it doesn't — my question is "what would you rather be waiting for?"

—Josh Strain  
Senior, Flight Aviation Technology

## NAPOLSKI

From Page 4

The day after our bake sale, many of our club's members noticed flyers around campus that displayed a picture of a pregnant woman, bare feet, and a kitchen with a statement along the lines of "College Republicans, Keeping America Backward."

And that is the problem right there. Why is staying at home with the family a "backwards" lifestyle? These flyers did nothing but prove our point.

The traditional family is probably the most efficient and safest way of bringing children into this world. Is it the only way to conduct one's life? Of course not.

Is it an attainable option for everyone? Nope. (I'm not naive enough to believe every person is in a situation to remain in the nuclear family, and those making sacrifices to be single parents have my utmost respect.)

But I will stand firmly by my opinion that it is the best option for the sake of children, and I feel that the feminist movement hasn't promoted this at all.

I will give the benefit of the doubt to most self-proclaimed feminists who say they support the choice to do the whole nuclear family thing or not, but I definitely see encouragement of one choice over the other.

—Napolski is a freshman majoring in tourism industry administration. She co-organized last Monday's 'Anti-Feminist Bake Sale.' Respond to her column at [thenews@bgnews.com](mailto:thenews@bgnews.com).

#### TOMORROW IN FORUM

Columns by Levi Joseph Wonder, Sean Lutzmann and Sean Martin.

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## Green-light Potter encyclopedia

THE DAILY CAMPUS | GUEST COLUMNIST

Harry Potter author J.K. Rowling is angry. No, not because there are critics out to get her for announcing that popular character Dumbledore is gay. It's not because she thinks the "Harry Potter" movies don't do her novels justice, either. She's mad at a fan-run "Harry Potter" Web site she once called her "natural home."

The Web site, The Harry Potter Lexicon, is basically an encyclopedia for all things Potter. It's a collection of history, spells, potions and extremely in-depth information compiled by fans. Rowling herself has hailed the site, saying that she even used it while writing her final books. But now, she's pulled a complete 180.

Rowling has gone to court this week after it was announced the Lexicon would be turned into a book and published by a small company, RDR Books. She's screaming for copyright infringement, and claiming she's been emotionally damaged by the

"Books like these allow fans to dive deeper into a world they truly love."

forthcoming publication of the book. Seriously? Give us a break.

We understand why Rowling might be slightly upset at the notion of someone else banking off her creative work, but the British writer is one of the world's richest women. Would her pocket-book really take that much of a hit from a print version of a Web site that's available to everyone already for absolutely no charge?

Rowling had announced that she was planning on creating her own encyclopedia chronicling the Potter saga, and that the proceeds would go to charity. Now, she says the Lexicon incident has caused her to rethink writing the companion piece.

RDR and the Lexicon's defense

rests in the fact that the published encyclopedia is just that — a companion piece and a reference guide. They claim the Web site's interpretation and analysis of the work constitutes as fair use. Rowling refuses to agree.

Perhaps royalties should be paid to Rowling, but the book should not be stopped from hitting shelves. It's no different from the countless encyclopedias and companion pieces to other literary works. There are many "Star Wars" books, including multiple encyclopedias that were not written by George Lucas. Books like these allow fans to dive deeper into a world they truly love and care about.

To stop the publishing of the Harry Potter Lexicon would be a disservice not only to Potter fans from around the globe, but to Rowling herself.

—The Daily Campus is the student newspaper at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

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# Bush promotes free trade through Canadian summit

By Deb Riechmann  
The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — President Bush and Mexican President Felipe Calderon strongly defended free trade across North America yesterday, fending off anti-trade remarks that Democrats running for the White House are using to lure working class voters.

Opening a two-day summit with Calderon and Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Bush hailed the benefits of cross-border trade despite a rising protectionist sentiment on Capitol Hill. The president said that when he and Calderon were growing up, the border was poor, but today it's prospering.

"Our trade has tripled, and our economies have grown," said Bush, who decided to host the summit in New Orleans to showcase its rebirth following Hurricane Katrina. "This has been a very positive aspect for both our countries."

Calderon was more specific, saying the North American Free Trade Agreement is misunderstood. Launched in 1994, the accord eliminated trade barriers among the United States, Mexico and Canada.

"I stress this issue because recently NAFTA has come under criticism," the Mexican president said. "And I do not believe that people are realiz-



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**WELCOMING:** President Bush greets visitors at Louis Armstrong International Airport in Kenner, La. yesterday.

ing how many benefits NAFTA has brought, both to the United States and to Mexico."

He said the far-reaching trade deal has led to the creation of hundreds of thousands of jobs on both sides of the border, has offered more choices to consumers and has raised the quality of products.

Sens. Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton, rivals for the Democratic presidential nomination, both have threatened to pull the U.S. out of NAFTA if elected as a means to pressure Canada and Mexico to negotiate more protections for workers and the environment. Bush calls the idea isolationist and reckless.

Clinton, D-N.Y., has made opposition to new trade deals a centerpiece of her campaign and

has vowed to at least re-negotiate NAFTA, which has been blamed for moving blue collar jobs to Mexico and elsewhere. Obama, D-Ill., has chided Clinton about NAFTA, saying it was passed while her husband, former President Clinton, was in office.

Recently in Pittsburgh, Clinton told manufacturers and union workers that her husband made mistakes related to NAFTA that she plans to fix. She said she would correct problems that have led to job losses, or would tell Canada and Mexico the United States is pulling out of the agreement.

While Obama and Clinton compete in today's Democratic primary in Pennsylvania, Bush is using the summit in Louisiana as a stage to not only promote NAFTA, the world's largest trading zone, but push Congress to ratify free trade deals with Panama, South Korea and Colombia. The House recently put off a vote on the Colombia free trade pact, making it less likely that it will be approved this year.

Before his meetings with Calderon and Harper, Bush attended a ceremony to reopen the Mexican consulate in New Orleans. The Mexican government closed the consulate as a cost-saving measure in 2002. In recent years, immigrants from Mexico and across Latin America have worked to rebuild the city, and tens of thousands now live in the New Orleans area.



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**GUEST APPEARANCE:** Lucy Hawking, right, with her father, professor Stephen Hawking, makes remarks at an event marking the 50th anniversary of NASA yesterday at George Washington University in Washington.

## Stephen Hawking believes primitive alien life likely

By Seth Borenstein  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Famed astrophysicist Stephen Hawking has been thinking a lot about the cosmic question, "Are we alone?" The answer is probably not, he says.

If there is life elsewhere in the universe, Hawking asks why haven't we stumbled onto some alien broadcasts in space, maybe something like "alien quiz shows?"

Hawking's comments were part of a lecture at George Washington University yesterday in honor of NASA's 50th anniversary. He theorized that there are possible answers to whether there is

extraterrestrial life.

One option is that there likely isn't life elsewhere. Or maybe there is intelligent life elsewhere, but when it gets smart enough to send signals into space, it also is smart enough to make destructive nuclear weapons.

Hawking said he prefers the third option:

"Primitive life is very common and intelligent life is fairly rare," he then quickly added: "Some would say it has yet to occur on earth."

So should you worry about aliens? Alien abduction claims come from "weirdos" and are unlikely. However, because alien life might not have DNA like us, Hawking warned: "Watch out if you would meet

an alien. You could be infected with a disease with which you have no resistance."

The 66-year-old British cosmologist, who suffers from ALS and must speak through a mechanical device, believes "if the human race is to continue for another million years, we will have to boldly go where no one has gone before."

Hawking compared people who don't want to spend money on human space exploration to those who opposed the journey of Christopher Columbus in 1492.

"The discovery of the New World made a profound difference to the old. Just think we wouldn't have had a Big Mac or KFC."

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## DNA samples taken from polygamists' kids

By Michelle Roberts  
The Associated Press

SAN ANGELO, Texas — Using cotton swabs and cameras, lab technicians began taking DNA samples yesterday from hundreds of children and mothers — many in long, pioneer-style dresses — in hopes of sorting out the tangled family relationships within the West Texas polygamist sect.

A judge ordered last week that the genetic material be taken to help determine which children belong to which parents.

Authorities need to figure that out before they begin custody hearings to determine which children may have been abused and need to be permanently removed from the sect compound in Eldorado, and which ones can be safely returned to the fold.

State social workers have complained that over the past few weeks, sect members have offered different names and ages. Also, the children refer to all of their fathers' wives as their "mothers," and all men in their families as "uncles."

The testing went on behind closed doors at the crowded coliseum where the children seized in the raid earlier this month on the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints are staying.

The collecting of DNA is likely to take 10 technicians most of the week, and it will be a month or more before the results are available, said Janiece Rolfe, a spokeswoman for the Texas attorney

**"No one is trying to deceive anyone. It's not sinister."**

Rod Parker | FLDS attorney

general's office.

Rod Parker, an FLDS attorney, acknowledged that family names within the sect can be confusing, but said: "No one is trying to deceive anyone. ... It's not sinister." Instead, he said that because many of the sect's marriages are not legal, adults and their children may legally have one name but use another within the community.

The April 3 nighttime raid on the 1,700-acre compound probably frightened the children, said Ken Driggs, who has studied the sect extensively. "If somebody had taken the time to approach them in a way that was respectful, they probably would have gotten the information they needed," Driggs said.

The children will be placed in group homes or other quarters until individual custody hearings can be completed by early June. Officials said they will try to keep siblings together when possible, though some polygamous families may have dozens of siblings.

The testing will involve 437 children and possibly hundreds of adults. State authorities revised their count of the children from 416 as they developed better lists and discovered that not all the female members who claimed to be adults were over 18.

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# Bomb plot student's parents sought counseling for him

By Seanna Adcox  
The Associated Press

CHESTERFIELD, S.C. — A teenager accused of plotting to bomb his high school is a straight-A student whose parents sought help from mental health experts when he slammed his head into a wall last week, authorities said yesterday.

Ryan Schallenger's parents took him to a hospital three days before his Saturday arrest after he made a 4-inch indentation in the wallboard, prosecutor Jay Hodge said at a court hearing.

Schallenger, 18, was not badly injured, but his parents also called a local mental health clinic that offered no help, Hodge said. A spokesman for the clinic would not confirm or deny any contact with the family, citing state law.

Hodge said he plans to ask that Schallenger undergo a mental evaluation at the teenager's bail hearing tomorrow.

Schallenger was arrested after his parents called police because he had ordered 10



BRETT FLASHNICK | AP PHOTO

**SUSPECT FOILED:** Ryan Schallenger, a student accused of planning a bomb attack on Chesterfield High School, in Chesterfield, S.C., looks toward the skylights in the court room before a judge, as he is assigned a court appointed attorney.

pounds of ammonium nitrate, an explosive commonly used as fertilizer and that was employed in the deadly 1995 Oklahoma City bombing.

Authorities checked the school for bombs over the weekend and yesterday students walked through newly installed metal detectors and past law officers. Still, officials said 60 percent of the school's 544 students stayed home.

The quiet teenager with a

slight build and a wispy mustache had apparently been planning the potentially deadly attack for months, authorities said.

"This kid had the intellect and the means and the materials to carry it out," Hodge said.

Police said they discovered a hate-filled journal lauding the Columbine killers, an audiotape to be played after he perished during his rampage and a year's worth of plans for the bomb-

ing that included a hand-drawn map of the school.

"He's just a soft-spoken little kid," Hodge said, adding that Schallenger threatened to do something "very violent."

Schallenger was charged with making a bomb threat and will be charged tomorrow with possession of bomb-making material, Hodge said. He was assigned a lawyer, William Spencer, who did not return calls from The Associated Press.

During a brief court hearing yesterday, the teen was silent but appeared agitated — his eyes widening at the sight of cameras awaiting him when he entered in an orange jumpsuit, hands cuffed and ankles shackled.

Schallenger's mother and stepfather, John and Laurie Sittley, could not be reached for comment.

Their phone number was unlisted, they did not attend the hearing, and their home about 10 miles from the school was blocked by "No Trespassing" signs. Authorities said Schallenger has eight siblings and step-siblings.



SUSAN WALSH | AP PHOTO

**UNDER FIRE:** Defense Secretary Robert Gates testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington before the House Armed Services Committee.

## Pentagon chief urges Air Force to embrace change

By Robert Burns  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In unusually blunt terms, Defense Secretary Robert Gates yesterday challenged the Air Force, whose leaders are under fire on several fronts, to contribute more to immediate wartime needs and to promote new thinking.

Gates singled out the use of pilotless surveillance planes, in growing demand by commanders in Iraq and Afghanistan, as an example of how the Air Force and other services must act more aggressively.

Gates has been trying for months to get the Air Force to send more unmanned surveillance and reconnaissance aircraft, like the Predator drone that provides real-time surveillance video, to the battlefield. They are playing an increasing role in disrupting insurgent efforts to plant roadside bombs.

"Because people were stuck in old ways of doing business, it's been like pulling teeth," Gates said of his prodding. "While we've doubled this capability in recent months, it is still not good enough."

Pentagon press secretary Geoff Morrell said Gates' complaint about struggling to get more drone aircraft to the battlefield was aimed not only at the Air Force but at the military as a whole.

Gates made his remarks to a large group of officers at the Air Force's Air University at

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Robert Gates | Defense Secretary

Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. Noting that they represent the future of Air Force leadership, he urged them to think innovatively and worry less about their careers than about adapting to a changing world.

Later, Gates flew to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., to deliver a speech to cadets and faculty members. He encouraged young soldiers to "take on the mantle of fearless, thoughtful but loyal dissent" when the situation calls for it, and to "defend your integrity as you would your life," according to a text of his prepared remarks released in advance by the Pentagon.

He alluded to a controversial article published last May in the Armed Forces Journal in which the author, Army Lt. Col. Paul Yingling, wrote that America's generals had failed the nation by not properly preparing the armed forces for war in Iraq and by not accurately portraying to the public how the war was unfolding.

Gates said he was impressed that the Army allowed that critique to be published.

## Heart exam recommended before kids get ADHD drugs

By Stephanie Nano  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Children should be screened for heart problems with an electrocardiogram before getting drugs like Ritalin to treat hyperactivity and attention-deficit disorder, the American Heart Association recommended yesterday.

Stimulant drugs can increase blood pressure and heart rate. For most children, that isn't a problem. But in those with heart conditions, it could make them more vulnerable to sudden cardiac arrest — an erratic heartbeat that causes the heart to stop pumping blood through the body — and other heart problems.

**"We don't want to keep children who have this from being treated. We want to do it as safely as possible."**

Dr. Victoria Vetter | Pediatric cardiologist

About 2.5 million American children and 1.5 million adults take medication for attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, or ADHD, according to government estimates. Stimulant drugs, like Ritalin, Adderall and Concerta, help children with ADHD stay focused and control their behavior.

The medications already carry warnings of possible heart risks

in those with heart defects or other heart problems, which some critics said were driven more by concerns of overuse of the drugs than their safety.

The heart group is now recommending a thorough exam, including a family history and an EKG, before children are put on the drugs to make sure that they don't have any undiagnosed heart issues.

"We don't want to keep children who have this from being treated. We want to do it as safely as possible," said Dr. Victoria Vetter, a pediatric cardiologist at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and head of the committee making the recommendation.

The label warnings were added after a review by the Food and Drug Administration of its databases found reports of 19 sudden deaths in children treated with ADHD drugs and 26 reports of other problems including strokes and fast heart rates between 1999 and 2003. There were also reports of heart problems in adults; the committee didn't look at adults.

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## Hamas willing to accept Israel as neighbor

By Karin Laub  
The Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Former President Carter said yesterday that Hamas — the Islamic militant group that has called for the destruction of Israel — is prepared to accept the right of the Jewish state to "live as a neighbor next door in peace."

But Carter warned that there would not be peace if Israel and the U.S. continue to shut out Hamas and its main backer, Syria.

The Democratic former president spoke in Jerusalem after meeting last week with top Hamas leader, Khaled Mashaal, and his deputy in Syria. It capped a nine-day visit to the Mideast aimed at breaking the deadlock between Israel and Hamas mili-

itants who rule the Gaza Strip.

"They (Hamas) said that they would accept a Palestinian state on the 1967 borders, if approved by Palestinians and that they would accept the right of Israel to live as a neighbor next door in peace," Carter said.

In Damascus, Mashaal said Hamas was offering Israel a 10-year truce if it withdraws from all lands it seized in the 1967 war.

He confirmed that Hamas would be satisfied with a Palestinian state on the 1967 borders — implicitly accepting that Israel would exist alongside that state. But Mashaal stressed the group would never outright recognize the Jewish state.

"We agree to a (Palestinian) state on pre-67 borders, with Jerusalem as its capital with genuine sovereignty without settle-

ments but without recognizing Israel," Mashaal told reporters.

He appeared to be referring to east Jerusalem, since Israel held west Jerusalem before 1967. After the 1967 Israeli-Arab war, Israel declared the entire city of Jerusalem as its capital.

The borders they referred to were the frontiers that existed before Israel captured large swaths of Arab lands in the 1967 Mideast war — including the West Bank, east Jerusalem and Gaza.

In the past, Hamas officials have said they would establish a "peace in stages" if Israel were to withdraw to the borders it held before 1967. But it has been evasive about how it sees the final borders of a Palestinian state and has not abandoned its official call for Israel's destruction.



TARA TODRAS-WHITEHILL | AP PHOTO

ISRAEL: Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter delivers a speech during a meeting held by the Israeli Council of Foreign Relations in Jerusalem.

## At least 20 Haitian migrants drown near the Bahamas

By Tosheena Robinson-Blair  
The Associated Press

NASSAU, Bahamas — Haitians fleeing their impoverished homeland met tragedy when their boat went down off the Bahamas, killing at least 20 people and leaving only three known survivors, including an alleged migrant smuggler, authorities said yesterday.

Survivors said the boat was carrying 24 people when it capsized Saturday night, according to U.S. Coast Guard spokesman Luis Diaz in Miami. Just before dawn Sunday, fishermen heard screams.

Volunteers searched for bodies, tying life preservers onto them so they could be recovered by the U.S. Coast Guard, said Chris Lloyd of the Bahamas Air Sea Rescue Association.

"We recovered as many as we could," Lloyd said.

The migrants appeared to be aiming for U.S. shores, and the accident happened less than 150 miles (240 kilometers) from Miami, said Chief Petty Officer Ralph McKinney of the Royal Bahamas Defense Force. The boat had set out from Nassau and was supposed to stop in Bimini en route to Florida, he said.

Two Haitian survivors — a man and a woman — were being treated at a Nassau hospital for dehydration. The third survivor, a Honduran marine mechanic, was taken into police custody as authorities investigate smuggling allegations, McKinney said.

Haitian Ambassador Louis Harold Joseph said he had not yet received confirmation that everyone who died was Haitian, but he expressed doubt that the voyage was connected to recent Haitian food riots in which at least seven people died.

Survivors described the boat as a go-fast, suggesting the migrants had more money than others who make the perilous crossing jammed aboard makeshift vessels.

The Coast Guard has been on alert for a spike in migration following riots earlier this month in the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, but so far none has appeared. So far this year, 737 Haitians have been intercepted, compared to 1,583 for 2007, according to the Coast Guard.

Caricom, the Caribbean economic trade bloc, said yesterday that it is considering sending \$10 million to Haiti to help it through its food crisis. The United Nations, United States and Venezuela also are offering help.

The weekend boat accident happened in calm waters about 15 miles (25 kilometers) northwest of Nassau, according to the Coast Guard, which sent a cutter, helicopter and a jet in the rescue mission. At least one private boat and two Bahamas military vessels also joined in. The search for survivors continued yesterday.

The two Haitian survivors identified the Honduran as the sunken vessel's captain, Lloyd said.

## Iraqi leader calls for Arab support as militia threats grow

By Robert H. Reid  
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraq's prime minister appealed yesterday for support from his Arab neighbors, urging them to open embassies and forgive Iraqi debts as his government tries to crack down on Shiite militias in a crucial power struggle.

But the government plea came as militia leaders warned more violence could await.

Followers of Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, leader of the biggest militia, said they could widen the battles with the government — even asking supporters for blood donations to aid fighters injured during weeks of urban clashes.

With tension rising, Prime

Minister Nouri al-Maliki flew to Kuwait for a meeting tomorrow of Iraq's neighbors to discuss ways they can help Iraq's Shiite-led government as it confronts both Shiite militias and Sunni extremists including al-Qaida in Iraq.

Al-Maliki said he will be looking for tangible support, including relief from Iraq's \$67 billion foreign debt — most of it owed to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar.

"There are countries that support the political process and are opening embassies here. We need the others to open embassies here, too," al-Maliki told reporters.

The direct appeal to Arab heavyweights highlights the regional dilemma posed by Iraq.



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IRAQ: Cameraman Hameed Hashim of the Biladi TV channel is treated for gun wounds in Hospital in Baghdad, Iraq after unidentified gunmen in two cars opened fire.

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PAKISTAN: Asif Ali Zardari, right, widower of slain leader Benazir Bhutto and chairman of the Pakistan Peoples Party, talks with Nawaz Sharif, left, head of Pakistan's Muslim League-N party during their meeting in Lahore, Pakistan.

## Pakistan frees pro-Taliban leader

By Riaz Khan  
The Associated Press

PESHAWAR, Pakistan — Pakistan freed a pro-Taliban cleric and quickly signed an accord with his hard-line group yesterday, the first major step by the new government to talk peace with Islamic militants and break with President Pervez Musharraf's policy of using force.

The day's developments began with the release of Sufi Muhammad, who is believed in his 70s, after more than five years in custody following his dispatch of thousands of followers to fight in Afghanistan.

A few hours later, the government of North West Frontier Province said Muhammad's group signed a pact renounc-

ing violence in return for being allowed to peacefully campaign for Islamic law. Security forces have the right to "act against" any extremists who attack the government.

Analysts cautioned it would take time to judge the new approach, noting Musharraf also struck truces with some groups that U.S. officials have complained gave Pakistani militants as well as Taliban and al-Qaida fighters a chance to build up their strength.

The anti-government sentiments in the region affected by yesterday's deal are seen as less intractable than those held by Taliban sympathizers in the tribal regions of Waziristan, where U.S. officials believe Osama bin Laden and other al-Qaida leaders are hiding.

Provincial government

spokesman Faridullah Khan said the pact covers the Swat Valley and neighboring districts in this area along the Afghan frontier.

It was not clear if the deal was accepted by Muhammad's son-in-law, Mualana Fazlullah, whose fighters seized control of the Swat Valley last year, prompting a bloody army offensive.

Fazlullah's spokesman could not be reached for comment late yesterday. Fazlullah is reportedly at odds with Muhammad, and experts expressed doubts the younger militant would change.

Talat Masood, a retired general and security analyst, said the deal with Muhammad demonstrated the new government's willingness to try dialogue with militants and could increase pressure on Fazlullah and others to lay down their arms.

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## SIDELINES



## BASKETBALL

## OSU's Koufos going pro after just one collegiate season

Kosta Koufos, a 7'0" center who just completed his freshman season at Ohio State, decided to enter the NBA draft yesterday. He has yet to hire an agent.

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## Today in Sports History

**1993**—Seattle Mariner pitcher Chris Bosio no-hits Boston Red Sox.

**1988**—NJ Devil Patrik Sundstrom ties NHL playoff record of eight points in a playoff game (hat trick and five assists) in 10-4 rout over the Capitals.

**1981**—Dodgers rookie Fernando Valenzuela tosses his third shutout in four starts.

**1954**—NBA adopts 24-second shot clock and six team-foul rule.

**1947**—Philadelphia Warriors beat Chicago Stags four games to two in first NBA Championship.

## The List

The NFL draft is this Saturday and today we are listing the top five prospects from this year's class:

**1. Darren McFadden, RB Arkansas:**

A threat to reach the endzone every time he touches the ball — ran a 4.3 at the combine.

**2. Chris Long, DE Virginia:**

The son of Howie Long will look to make his own legacy in the NFL.

**3. Glenn Dorsey, DT LSU:**

His stellar play on the defensive line was the catalyst behind the Tigers run to the National Championship last season.

**4. Matt Ryan, QB Boston College:**

The BC quarterback is most likely headed to the mess that is the Atlanta Falcons.

**5. Jake Long, OT Michigan:**

Long may be the first player chosen in the draft if Bill Parcells and the Dolphins deem him the chosen one.

## Track team scores just 18 points, finishes 11th at All-Ohio Championships!



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**TOUGH MEET:** The Falcons finished in 11th place out of 12 teams in Cincinnati over the weekend. Five other MAC schools placed higher.

By Andrew Harner  
Reporter

The second trip to Cincinnati for BG's women's track team didn't end quite as well as the first time.

The Falcons finished 11th out of 12 at this weekend's All-Ohio Championships, scoring just 18 points. They finished third at Oliver Nikoloff in Cincinnati earlier this season.

"We had some athletes that had a down meet," said coach Cami Wells. "Unfortunately, we had too many of them at the same time."

BG did get another taste of several Mid-American Conference schools this weekend.

Akron (187.33), Miami (134), Kent State (113.83), Ohio University (56.50) and Toledo (35) all made the trip south and posted higher team scores than BG.

"Last week, we beat the majority of the MAC schools we competed against," Wells

**"We had some athletes that had a down meet. Unfortunately, we had too many of them at the same time."**

Cami Wells | BG track coach

said. "From week to week, it depends on the kind of meets you're in and where you place your people. Obviously we don't like to get beat by MAC schools. We had an off weekend, and it happens. We're going to work harder and make sure it doesn't happen again."

Last week's MAC Thrower

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## Falcons volley just short

Home court can't aid BG tennis in loss to W. Michigan

By Nate Parsons  
Reporter

The BG tennis team fought hard, but once again fell short to seemingly unbeatable Western Michigan.

The Falcons are now 0-33 all time against the nationally-ranked (No. 62) Broncos after a 5-2 loss on Saturday at BG's Keefe Courts.

With the loss, BG (15-4, 4-4) earned a fifth-seed in this weekend's Mid-American Conference Championships.

With the win, WMU (15-7, 8-0) clinched its fourth-straight MAC regular-season title and a No. 1 seed in this weekend's tournament. The win also marks the Broncos' 34th straight MAC regular-season win.

To beat the unbeatable, the Falcons needed strong performances from their doubles teams.

Coach Penny Dean predicted the doubles point would be a "humongous battle," and she was right.

After the duo of Stefanie Menoff and Katia Babina was defeated 8-2 at the third flight, BG needed to win the next two matches to win the point.

BG won the first after the tandem of Christine Chiricosta and Kelsey Jakupcin rallied from a 6-3 deficit to win, 8-6, at the top flight.

The doubles point came down to seniors Jenna Nussbaum and Andrea Volle, who were playing in their final home match. With the remaining Falcon players cheering them on, the duo fought hard,

**"I was proud of our team because we competed better and harder against WMU than we have in 10 years."**

Penny Dean | BG tennis coach

but fell short, as WMU won, 8-5, in a closely-contested and lengthy match at the second flight.

Being down 1-0 after fighting hard for the doubles point didn't discourage the team. In fact, it encouraged them.

"In the past when we've played them, our doubles scores were, 8-2, 8-3, but we saw how close [the doubles matches were] and knew if we went out and fought in singles it would be just as close," Volle said. "We saw how close we were to them and how similar our talent levels were."

Unfortunately, the outcome of the singles matches wasn't what BG would've liked.

The Falcons lost four of the six singles matches.



## Western Michigan

Has now beaten BG 33 straight times



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**IN THE MIDDLE:** After losing to WMU over the weekend, the BG tennis team will go into the MAC Championships as the fifth seed.

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## BG golfers start slow at Rutherford but finish in sixth place

By Jason Jones  
Reporter

The men's golf team appeared to be picking up speed this past weekend, placing sixth overall at the Rutherford Intercollegiate Tournament, and finishing with three golfers amongst the top 23.

The Falcons had a slow start to day one, a problem that has plagued their score cards all spring. After 18 holes, Bowling Green sat in ninth place.

The slow start to the tournament would be countered, however, by a strong performance in the second round. The Falcons cut seven strokes off of their first round total to finish the second round with a 295, the fourth lowest score of the round.

"Then it poured rain for five hours the second day we played," head coach Gary Winger said. "It

**"We're getting there; we've got bits and pieces coming together every week, but just haven't put it all together yet."**

Jace Walker | BG golfer



## Matt Schneider

Finished the tournament in 23rd place overall



## John Powers

Finished the tournament in 18th place overall



## Jace Walker

Finished the tournament in 15th place overall

some of their best golf since coming to BG last year, Powers finishing 18th and Schneider 23rd. Both golfers were thrown off by the inclement elements, carding 79's in their respective final rounds.

Jace Walker continued his transformation back to the elite form he showcased this past fall with his 15th place finish. Still, even with one of the most impressive performances of the spring, Walker left Pennsylvania unsatisfied.

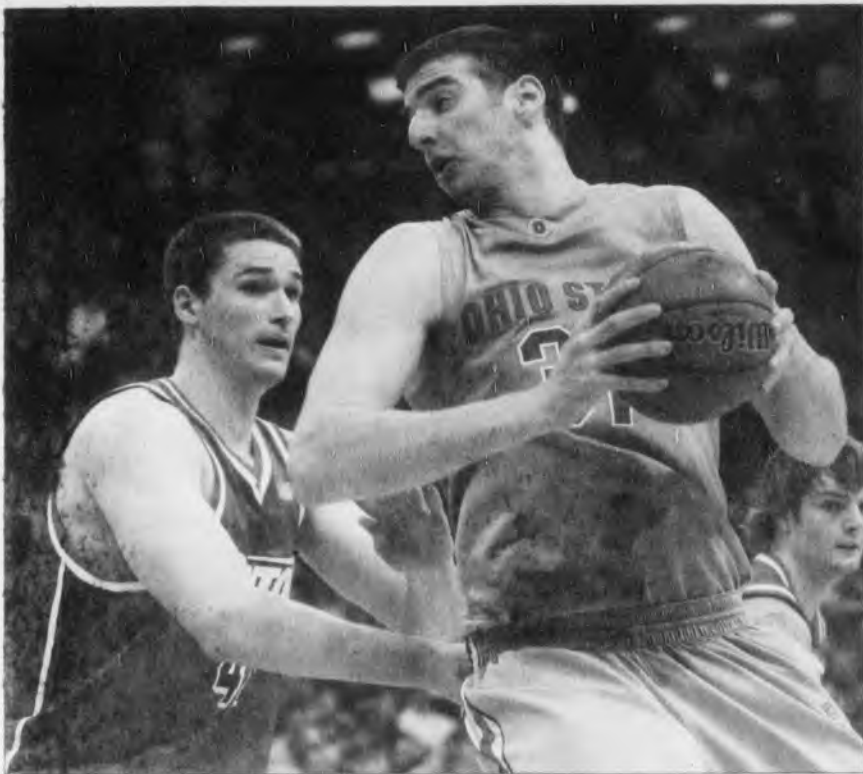
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**TOP FALCON:** Senior Jace Walker shot a score of 227 over the weekend.





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**BIG MAN IN THE MIDDLE:** Kosta Koufos averaged 14.4 points and 6.7 rebounds for the Buckeyes last season on the way to an NIT title.

## Ohio State's Koufos becomes the latest freshman to make NBA jump

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Ohio State freshman Kosta Koufos will declare for the NBA draft, according to published reports yesterday.

The decision by the 7-foot Koufos to vault to the NBA after one year was reported by FoxSports.com, which cited sources it didn't identify, and

The Canton Repository, which said Koufos had sent a text message to the newspaper announcing his intentions.

A phone call by The Associated Press to Koufos' house in Canton was answered by a woman who said neither Koufos nor his mother was available for comment.

Koufos will not hire an agent so he can keep the door open to returning to the Buckeyes, The Repository reported.

Koufos, a forward-center, averaged 14.4 points and 6.7 rebounds per game and had 22 points and nine rebounds in Ohio State's win over Massachusetts in the NIT championship.

## TENNIS

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Jakupcin lost to WMU's Kerstin Pahl, who finished conference play 8-0, in straight sets at the top flight.

Chiricosta won at the second flight, 6-2, 6-4, over Priyanka Parekh, while Babina lost in straight sets at the third flight.

After the first three flights were complete, a light rain began to fall, and the teams headed to Shadow Valley Tennis Club in Toledo to finish the remaining matches.

Needing to win two of the three matches for the victory, BG only won one.

That one was Menoff, who beat Ashley Moccia at the fifth flight in straight sets.

Even though the Falcons lost, Dean and Volle were pleased with the way the team performed.

"I was proud of our team because we competed better and harder against WMU than we have in 10 years," Dean said.

"It's the best we've ever competed against them," Volle said. "I think it's a big confidence

**"I think that if we get a chance to play [WMU] again in the MAC tournament, we all have the confidence now. We all saw their level of play and know we're just as good, and on any given day we can beat them."**

Andrea Volle | BG tennis player

booster going into the MAC tournament."

Ending the MAC season with a .500 record after entering 11-0 wasn't what the team expected, and Dean was the first to admit her disappointment.

"I think our finish in the MAC (4-4) isn't up to what our potential was," she said.

The fifth-seeded Falcons will look to get back to their early-season winning ways as they enter MAC Championships this Friday against fourth-seeded Eastern Michigan in Buffalo, N.Y.

With a win, the Falcons may get another opportunity to face WMU.

"I think that if we get a chance

### MAC STANDINGS

(through end of regular season)

**Western Michigan:** 15-7 (8-0)

**Miami:** 13-6 (7-1)

**Toledo:** 14-6 (5-3)

**Eastern Michigan:** 9-12 (5-3)

**BG:** 15-4 (4-4)

**Buffalo:** 9-8 (4-4)

**Ball State:** 9-10 (2-6)

**Northern Illinois:** 3-12 (1-7)

**Akron:** 5-14 (0-8)

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## GOLF

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"I didn't play very well at all," Walker said. "I was playing OK until the end, and then I just had one bad hole that probably cost me a finish in the top five."

Walker, who has the potential to end his career in BG as the greatest golfer in school history, also said. "We're getting there; we've got bits and pieces coming together every week, but just haven't put it all together yet."

Walker finished with a 227 overall, four strokes behind that of Penn State's Kevin Foley, who ended up in sixth.

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Jace Walker | BG golfer

Trevor Spathelf and Russell Goodwin were also in action in Pennsylvania, finishing 43rd and 54th, respectively.

The Falcons will now travel to Kent State on Saturday for the First Energy Intercollegiate Tournament for one day of golf and a final tune-up before the Mid American Conference

Championship Tournament on May 2-4.

If BG can put all of the pieces together, as Walker says they must, then a strong performance in the MAC Championship is within their grasp, as well as a storybook ending to one of BG's most successful careers in history.

## TRACK

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of the Week award winner Whitney Hartman had another great performance for BG.

"She certainly deserves it," Wells said. "She's done a nice job for us throughout her career."

Hartman finished third in the hammer throw with 183-02 feet which is the fourth best throw in school history. It was also just two inches from her career best in the event.

"She's been consistent in the hammer," Wells said. "She'll have outstanding competition to compete against this weekend."

Hartman added a 10th place in discus with a throw of 133-05 feet.

The rest of the field events were also strong for the Falcons. Sabrina Forstein has been



BRIAN BORNHOEFF | THE BG NEWS

**ON THEIR WAY:** BG track coach Cami Wells said the team is heading in the right direction.

consistent in the pole vault for BG, and she again placed this weekend finishing in seventh with a vault of 11-07.75 feet.

Brittani McNeal (18-04.50)

and Amanda Sefcik (18-02.25) finished sixth and ninth in the long jump.

In the shot put, TaKarra Dunning's throw of 46-08.75

placed her in seventh.

Lauren Bryant took ninth in the hammer throw (166-03), finishing two feet from the last scoring place. Kylie Korsnack led the Falcons in the javelin with a throw of 110-10.

BG struggled to gain top finishes in the running events, but did have some points from running events.

The 4-by-100 meter relay team of McNeal, Elizabeth Stone, Sarah Hooten and Shantell Lewis took seventh in 48.33 seconds.

Autumn Dettmann got the Falcons one point with her eighth place finish in the 1,500 meter run (4:45.87).

"We did have some of the younger athletes step up and do some nice things," Wells said. "They're not quite in the position to score in the top eight yet, but overall we're moving in the right direction."

## NFL reinstates Thurman after lengthy suspension

CINCINNATI (AP) — Linebacker Odell Thurman was reinstated from an NFL suspension after sitting out the last two seasons.

The Cincinnati Bengals said yesterday they were informed by commissioner Roger Goodell that Thurman is eligible to play. He was suspended the last two seasons because of violations of the NFL's substance abuse policy.

He had been cleared in January by the NFL to resume working out with the Bengals pending word on his status.

"Odell has met the NFL's conditions for reinstatement and has been added to our offseason roster," Bengals coach Marvin Lewis said in a statement. "It is now up

to Odell to continue to meet all NFL guidelines, and to maintain a standard of personal responsibility that will allow him the chance to compete for a spot on our team."

A second-round draft pick from Georgia in 2005, Thurman started 15 games at middle linebacker, led the team in tackles and tied the team rookie record with five interceptions.

He was suspended for the first four games of the 2006 season after missing a drug test, and the suspension was extended to the full season after he was arrested for drunken driving. He pleaded no contest and was sentenced to six days in a treatment center.

## Cheruiyot, Tune win the 112th Boston Marathon

By Jimmy Golen  
The Associated Press

BOSTON — Robert Cheruiyot won his fourth Boston Marathon yesterday, and Dire Tune out-kicked Alevtina Biktimirova by 2 seconds in the closest finish in the history of the women's race.

Cheruiyot ran away from the pack to finish in a blistering 2 hours, 7 minutes, 46 seconds. He missed the course record he set two years ago by 32 seconds, but became the fourth man to win the world's oldest annual marathon four times.

Cheruiyot and Tune, who finished in 2:25:25, each earned an enhanced prize of \$150,000 — the biggest in major marathon history.

Abderrahime Bouramdane was 1:18 behind Cheruiyot and Khalid El Boumlili came in third, another



STEVEN SENNE | AP PHOTO

**PULLING AWAY:** Robert Cheruiyot gains ground on his way to a Boston Marathon win.

er 1:31 back. Nicholas Arciniaga, of Rochester Hills, Mich., was 10th to give the Americans a top-10 finish for the fourth straight year.

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# Clinton draws controversy, using bin Laden in campaign speech

By Nedra Pickler and Liz Sidoti  
The Associated Press

BLUE BELL, Pa. — Hillary Rodham Clinton invoked Pearl Harbor, the Berlin Wall and Osama bin Laden as she reached for a victory in Pennsylvania's Democratic presidential primary to recharge her comeback effort.

Barack Obama said she would probably win but he hoped to keep it close in Tuesday's voting. Clinton made her closing arguments yesterday for the biggest primary left on the election schedule, running an ad with historic images to ask voters whom they would trust most in the White House during a time of trouble. It's the same tactic she used successfully in the "3 a.m." ad she aired in the closing days of the Ohio and Texas contests last month.

It was the first time a Democratic candidate has used bin Laden in a campaign commercial in the 2008 race for the White House. The terrorist appears along with images from the stock market crash, the bombing at Pearl Harbor, the Soviet threat, the collapse of the Berlin Wall and Hurricane Katrina as an announcer tells voters the political contest is for "the most important job in the world."

"You need to be ready for anything, especially now, with



**Hillary Clinton**  
needs a primary win in Penn. to comeback into the Democratic race.



**Barack Obama**  
concedes Clinton will likely win Penn. primary but hopes for a close race.

two wars, oil prices skyrocketing and an economy in crisis. Harry Truman said it best, 'If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen.' Who do you think has what it takes?" the announcer says at the end, as Clinton appears on screen.

Obama spokesman Bill Burton said the ad "plays the politics of fear." And he said Clinton is to blame for allowing bin Laden to escape by supporting war in Iraq and diverting the U.S. military. "It's ironic that she would borrow the president's tactics in her own campaign and invoke bin Laden to score political points," Burton said.

Leaving the negative talk to aides, Obama himself tried to end on a positive note after days of escalating accusations against Clinton. He didn't criticize his rival as he spoke with voters at an outdoor plaza in suburban Philadelphia, where tulips and daffodils bloomed and children played in the background.

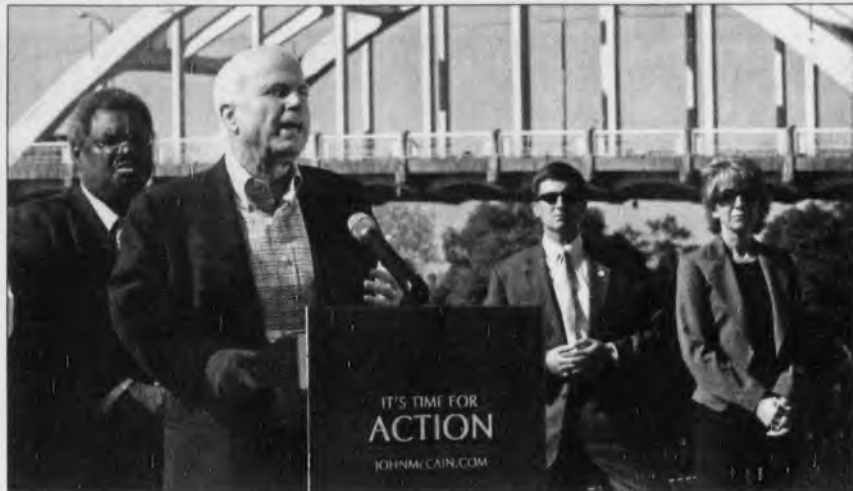
"I thought this would be a nice change of pace," Obama said. A bank of TV cameras captured the soft images — early enough

in the day to ensure that voters would see the images on Philadelphia newscasts the night before the primary.

Pennsylvania's demographics suit Clinton. The state has a higher median age, a higher percentage of whites, a lower median household income and fewer bachelor's degrees than the country overall. These are the voters — working-class whites and voters older than 50 — who have flocked to her in past contests.

Obama suggested in an interview with Pittsburgh radio station KDKA that Clinton probably would come out on top. "I'm not predicting a win. I'm predicting it's going to be close and that we are going to do a lot better than people expect," he said.

Clinton aides tried to keep expectations down, insisting they would be grateful for a win no matter how close. While the New York senator began the race with a hefty 20-point lead in several polls in the state, Obama's extensive campaigning and heavy TV ad purchases significantly cut into her lead.



DAVE MARTIN | AP PHOTO

**REACHING OUT:** With the historic Edmund Pettus Bridge in the background, Republican presidential candidate Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., campaigns in Selma, Ala. McCain recalled the bloody beating of civil rights marchers on the bridge.

## McCain says winning over black voters will be difficult task

By Libby Quaid  
The Associated Press

SELMA, Ala. — Seeking support in rural Alabama, Republican presidential candidate John McCain said yesterday he knows it will be difficult to win over black voters who have supported Democrats for generations.

"I am aware the African-American vote has been very small in favor of the Republican Party," McCain told reporters. "I am aware of the challenges, and I am aware of the fact that there will be many people who will not vote for me, but I'm going to be the president of all the people."

McCain delivered a speech near the Edmund Pettus Bridge, recalling the bloody beatings of

civil rights marchers there in 1965 as he embarked on a week-long tour of places that suffer from poverty and inattention.

McCain's appearance drew about 100 people, most of them white, in a town that is 70 percent black.

Part of Alabama's Black Belt — named for its soil, not the fact that two-thirds of its population is black — Selma has drawn attention from Democrats in the 2008 presidential campaign. Last year, Sens. Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton and former President Clinton visited Selma to mark the anniversary of the "Bloody Sunday" march.

The Arizona senator described in vivid detail the clubbing that fractured the skull of John Lewis, now a Democratic congressman

from Georgia. McCain, who speaks often of courage shown by military veterans, said he never saw greater courage than Lewis and the marchers showed that day, March 7, 1965.

"There must be no forgotten places in America, whether they have been ignored for long years by the sins of indifference and injustice, or have been left behind as the world grew smaller and more economically interdependent," McCain said outside the St. James Hotel, several hundred yards away from the historic bridge.

"In America, we have always believed that if the day was a disappointment, we would win tomorrow. That's what John Lewis believed when he marched across this bridge," McCain said.

## AP-Yahoo poll: Economy top worry, but barely affecting votes

By Alan Fram  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The economy has soared past Iraq as the top problem on the minds of voters.

But do the growing economic worries give a particular edge to any presidential candidate? Not so far, according to an Associated Press-Yahoo News poll released yesterday.

With growing layoffs, tight credit and an ailing housing market, 67 percent say the economy is an extremely important issue, up from 46 percent in November. Gasoline prices follow close behind at 59 percent.

The war in Iraq — the dominant issue for several years — stands at 48 percent.

"With our property taxes and the cost of gas and the cost of food now, it just seems like the economy is getting out of control," said Joan Sabers, 62, a retired computer programmer from Mechanicsburg, Pa. "I'm okay for now, but it worries you about what the future holds."

About two-thirds of those making under \$100,000 annu-

**"With our property taxes and the cost of gas and the cost of food now, it just seems like the economy is getting out of control."**

Joan Sabers | computer programmer

ally attach extreme importance to the economy, as do nearly six in 10 earning more. Six in 10 Republicans and three-quarters of Democrats do the same.

Yet those who have become extremely concerned about the economy since last fall show no significant difference from everyone else in backing a presidential candidate. Both groups divide about evenly between Republican John McCain and Democrat Barack Obama, and between McCain and the other Democrat, Hillary Rodham Clinton.

In addition, those who expressed most concern about their personal financial situations have done just what those less concerned have done — they are a bit likelier to back McCain now than they were to prefer a Republican candidate in last November's AP-Yahoo News poll.

People calling the economy extremely important lean toward the two Democratic presidential contenders, while those less concerned prefer McCain. The partisan divide helps explain that, as does income. Of those most worried about the economy, people earning under \$50,000 a year prefer the two Democrats over McCain, middle-income earners are divided evenly, and McCain wins the most affluent.

Democrats divide between Obama and Clinton about the same whether or not they are extremely concerned about the economy.

The survey's findings echo exit polls of voters in more than two dozen Democratic and GOP presidential primaries — the economy is the top problem, but so far it's not driving votes.

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# 'Disposable' grad gowns clutter landfill

By Melissa Kossler Dutton  
The Associated Press

When Jeff Barnes listed his graduation cap and gown on eBay, he was thinking more about the environment than his wallet.

Barnes, who lives in a one-bedroom apartment, said he didn't have the space or the sentimental inclination to keep the gown from his graduation at Macalester College, but didn't want to throw it away, either.

"It might as well go to someone else rather than the landfill," said Barnes, a graduate student at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh.

It's a decision more students face as a growing number of colleges and high schools require graduates to buy gowns rather than rent them. The gowns, made of polyester or acetate, cost about \$25 and are designed to be worn once. Some companies market them as "souvenir gowns" and encourage students to hang onto them as a keepsake.

"Thousands of these things

**"It's not  
that much trouble  
to launder a  
graduation gown."**

Bob Schildgen | Author

end up in landfills," said Tim Giuliani, who sells the gowns. The owner of Graduate Affairs said he was disappointed as gown sales eclipsed rentals in recent years. "We have a huge inventory that never gets used."

The impact of disposable gowns has grown exponentially as graduation ceremonies have expanded beyond high school and college. Today, many schools honor multiple milestones — completing preschool, kindergarten, fifth-grade or eighth-grade — with a stroll in a cap and gown.

And as the milestones pass, the gowns remain. Experts say polyester can take decades to decompose.

Scott Allan bought his first

cap and gown four years ago when his son, Andres, graduated from kindergarten. "I thought it was a bit much," said Allan, 39, of Birmingham, Ala. "It was only kindergarten."

But he's hoping to buy two or three more, eventually: "Medical school would be great."

Renting reusable gowns would seem to be the more environmentally friendly option, said Sierra Club green living expert Bob Schildgen.

"I think Americans are disgusting with their obsession with convenience," added Schildgen, author of "Hey Mr. Green." "It's not that much trouble to launder a graduation gown."

Giuliani, the gown salesman, said he tries talking school officials into rentals but most consider collecting and returning the gowns too much of a hassle.

Doug Rosenberg, the director of budgeting for Macalester College, said the "logistical ease" of single-use gowns is a selling point, since schools avoid collecting the gowns afterward.

At Northwest High School in Germantown, Md., school officials use gown sales as a fundraiser, said senior class adviser Clayton Putnam. The price of the gown increases from \$60 to \$100 as graduation nears, the history teacher said. The additional money goes toward prom, a senior banquet and graduation.



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# Wind power more cost effective than solar

By R.A. Dyer  
The Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas— In the old Aesop fable, wind and sun battle over which is the stronger. The wind blows hard, but the sun shines hot. They both do their best to get a traveler to remove his jacket.

In the fable, sun wins. But in real-life policy questions over solar power and wind energy — over which provides the more cost-effective source of clean energy — it appears that wind has sun on the ropes. At least for the moment.

Both provide an environmentally friendly alternative to coal and gas-fired electricity, and both emit none of the greenhouse gases associated with global warming. But solar power — despite several advantages over wind — is much more expensive, say experts.

"You get more bang for your buck from wind energy than from solar energy," said Ryan Wiser, who leads renewable-energy research at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory in California.

As the public expresses growing concern over both global warming and rising utility bills, consumer advocates say it's more important than ever to balance the costs and benefits of wind power, solar power and other forms of renewable energy.

It's not a question of whether the state should pursue clean-air strategies — but rather which ones, and at what cost. Who stands to save money and who stands to pay more? Is

## WIND POWER

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- Zero pollution
  - Requires fewer steps and less technology to convert to electrical power
- ### Cons:
- Can be a hazard to migratory birds
  - Is expensive to install
  - Available only in areas of predictable and consistent wind

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### Pros:

- Is constant and consistent in daytime in certain places
- Zero pollution

### Cons:

- Commercial solar-power farms, which use ray-collecting panels, take more land out of productive use than wind farms
- Requires more expensive equipment than wind power
- Is available only in areas of sufficient and consistent sunshine

nuclear power part of the solution?

No major state agency — not the Texas Public Utility Commission, not the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality — has been tasked with coming up with a comprehensive renewable-energy policy that balances the state's clean-air needs with consumer interests within the context of the state's deregulated electricity market. However, House Speaker Tom Craddick has created a special committee to study the state's long-term energy needs, as well as the effect of new power generation on global warming.

The Texas Public Utility Commission will take on some of the issues piecemeal in the coming months.

# Costs of cutting greenhouse gases are actually small, group says

By Renee Schoof  
MCT

WASHINGTON — Americans won't pay huge new electricity and heating bills, unemployment won't skyrocket and the U.S. economy won't be damaged in the decades ahead if Congress passes legislation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, according to a study released yesterday.

The Environmental Defense Fund, an advocacy group that supports a mandatory cap and a substantial reduction of emissions, conducted the study by examining a range of peer-reviewed economic models from five academic and government groups. The models looked at the costs of emissions-slashing proposals that are at least as tough

as the one the Senate will debate in June.

That measure, sponsored by Sens. Joseph Lieberman, I-Conn., and John Warner, R-Va., would cut greenhouse gas emissions by about 60 percent below 2005 levels by 2050. It sets up a "cap and trade" plan in which the government would give or sell allowances to pollute, reducing the overall amount each year. Companies could buy or sell the allowances, or they could save them to use in later years.

There have been wildly different estimates of the cost of the legislation. Studies that hide their assumptions or make assumptions that skew the results are "a dime a dozen," said Peter Goldmark, director of the Environmental Defense Fund's climate program.

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## What is Entourage?

An email client for Macintosh users that allows OS X users to access email and calendar features.

## What is Outlook Web Access (OWA)?

A Microsoft Web-based email client that offers access to email and calendar features via a Web interface that closely matches the features and appearance of Outlook.

## BGSU will transition from the current email system and Meeting Maker to Microsoft Exchange during the first half of 2008.

Users will then be able to access their email and calendar using Microsoft Outlook 2007 (for Windows users), Entourage 2008 (for Macintosh users) or the Outlook Web Access (OWA) interface for Web users.

Check the Microsoft Exchange project Web site [www.bgsu.edu/exchange](http://www.bgsu.edu/exchange) for details on the project including:

- > Migration Details
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Continuing and Extended Education will be offering training sessions on Exchange. Registration information is available at <http://ctc.bgsu.edu/exchange>.

For faculty and staff the migration process will begin by the user receiving notification of their migration date in an email message sent to their BGSU email account a minimum of two weeks prior to their migration date.

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**METH LAB:** An undercover detective with the Jefferson County Drug Task Force finds a syringe full of meth in the sock of a suspected methamphetamine maker in January 2008. Drugs were found in the suspect's car and a complete drug-making lab was found behind the house in Jefferson County, Missouri.

## Lack of strict laws result in fewer meth lab busts

By Christine Byers  
The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — The fire hoses had been rolled up.

The 11-year-old burn victim had been taken to the hospital.

And Jefferson County's Sgt. Gary Higginbotham was left shaking his head as he surveyed the scene of the methamphetamine lab explosion.

He knew that, in other states, authorities could have quickly caught the Festus, Mo., homeowners' illegal purchases of a key ingredient to make meth.

But not here — not in the heart of America's fight against meth labs.

Missouri has long led the nation in meth lab busts. Illinois hasn't been far behind. Yet neither state has adopted stricter laws for obtaining meth's key ingredient, pseudoephedrine. The laws are credited with helping Oklahoma and Oregon see the biggest declines of meth labs of any states.

In Oregon, the purchase

would have required multiple doctors and prescriptions.

But in Missouri and Illinois, all the addicts had to do was sign paper logs that are often too cumbersome for police to check.

Missouri is set to strengthen oversight, but police worry meth cooks will cross state lines to buy supplies. So does Missouri Rep. Jeff Roorda, who is pushing for a tougher law.

"I shudder to think what people are going to say 20 years from now as to why we didn't eliminate this problem," Roorda said.

Awaiting reform, Jefferson County officers have struggled to keep up with a list of who exceeds the limit.

"She was on the list," Higginbotham said, his eyebrows rising in frustration as he put chemicals removed from the charred basement into his truck. "And it's sad because by the time we get to them, the meth is already made or something like this happens."

## Crack convicts seek lighter sentences without lawyers

By Marisa Taylor  
MCT

WASHINGTON — As the federal courts begin the unprecedented task of deciding whether thousands of prisoners should receive lower crack cocaine sentences, some judges are telling poor convicts that they won't get lawyers to help them argue for leniency.

As a result, some prisoners are being left to argue on their own behalf against skilled prosecutors, raising questions about fairness in cases that already have been widely perceived as unjust.

The recalculations come after a 20-year debate over racial disparities in cocaine sentences. A majority of

crack cocaine defendants are African-American, while most powder cocaine defendants are white and received much less severe sentences.

In what's seen as a first step toward addressing the disparity, the U.S. Sentencing Commission issued new recommendations last year for lighter penalties.

Many of the 20,000 prisoners who're eligible say they're too poor to hire lawyers to ask for lower sentences. Many judges have appointed federal defenders to represent poor prisoners at taxpayers' expense, saying it ensures that the requests will be handled efficiently. Judges have the sole authority to appoint those attorneys.

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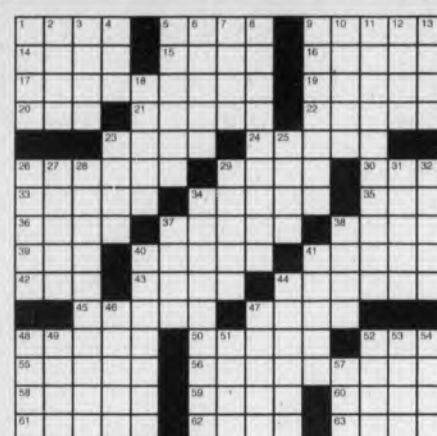
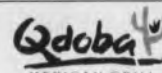
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52 Hardly any  
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56 Lincoln's maiden voyage?  
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## Hats are back and spruced up for spring, experts say

By Margaret Slaby  
MCT

"From the runway to the beach you'll see more and more wide-brim hats that offer both sun protection as well as classic elegance."

Susan Lee | The Village Hat Shop

The clock has been moved ahead, and the weather's warmed up. Now it's time to freshen up your wardrobe for spring. Here are a few words of advice: Don't forget the hat.

Hats can be functional or fashionable, comfortable or chic. They can be as cozy as a knit beret or as classy as a wide-brimmed straw hat with silk and flower trim.

The classics will define headwear this spring, says Joey Pauline, who co-owns The Laundry Room, a fashion boutique in Fresno, Calif. Many hats, however, will sport a modern look. "It's pretty much classics redefined. It's a look that's already happened, but it's funky up a bit," Pauline says.

An array of colors, from bold to earth tones, will be trendy this spring, says Susan Lee, merchandise manager for The Village Hat Shop, with stores in San Diego, Long Beach and Sacramento, Calif.

Here's a look of some of the hot hats for spring.

### FEDORA

A soft hat with a brim and lengthwise crease in the crown. It's named for Princess Fedora, the heroine of an 1882 play by Victorien Sardou who wore a similar hat. Fedoras often are made of a cotton/polyester blend, but lightweight, breathable material such as straw is popular when it's warm, says Kristi Bigelow, co-owner of Invee Karma, a fashion boutique in Fresno. The trend: brightly colored and print fedoras with satin linings.

### NEWSBOY

A soft fabric cap with a round, puffy, paneled crown often with a button on top. A small bill or visor is sewn or snapped onto the crown. The newsboy, or "newsy," has been trendy for about five years, says Susan Lee of The Village

Hat Shop. The cap was worn by children (newsboys) around 1920. Now, it's favored by golfers. This spring's version will have a more contoured shape, making it less flimsy.

### TRILBY

A soft hat with a narrow, flexible brim and deeply indented crown. Trilbys are similar to fedoras but have a narrower brim. The name comes from a play based on George du Maurier's 1894 novel "Trilby," in which the title character wore this style of hat. Trilbys traditionally were made from rabbit hair felt, but tweed or wool is common. A new style is the Arnie Trilby, a bamboo cotton/polyester blend named after golfer Arnold Palmer. Inspector Clouseau, the character played by Peter Sellers in "Pink Panther" films, wore a Trilby.

### MILITARY

This hat has a roomy crown, squared top and sharp, curved bill. They're made of various fabrics, including cotton, wool and polyester. Traditional colors include khaki, olive and brown. For women, the trend is bright, bold colors with glitter and embellishments. The cadet-style by Faith is a popular choice among women.

### TRUCKER

It's similar to a baseball cap but has a mesh back, adjustable strap and button on top. These sometimes are called "gimme" or "feed" caps because they originated as promotional giveaways to farmers and truck drivers from feed and farming supply companies. While the original caps had company logos, today's styles

often feature slogans or graphics. Bold designs are hot, and rhinestone and glitter accents are popular among women.

### WIDE-BRIM

These have a low crown and wide, stiff brim that frames the face. Straw is the preferred material, but organza cotton, grosgrain ribbon, cotton twill, cotton pique knit and nylon also are used. "From the runway to the beach you'll see more and more wide-brim hats that offer both sun protection as well as classic elegance," says Susan Lee of The Village Hat Shop. Hot colors: blood orange or teal accents.

### SUN-CONSCIOUS

Hats in many styles (ball caps, Panamas) that are suited to outdoor activity. Most have brims at least 2 inches wide. Cotton, hemp, straw and nylon are popular materials. Many offer an Ultraviolet Protection Factor of 30-50. Sporting goods stores, including REI, sell sun-conscious hats, including a Tilley with a UPF 50. Tilleys have a molded crown, wide brim, tuckaway cord, secret pocket and foam liner (to keep them afloat). They are made of various fabrics, including cotton duck, nylon and hemp.

### WALKER

A soft cloth hat with a center dent and narrow brim that originated in the British Isles and also is known as a "walking hat." They traditionally were made in the British Isles from Harris Tweed. Although straw walkers are popular in spring, all types of fabric, including tweeds and cottons, are worn in temperate climates.

## Walking on sunshine: Treat yourself to pop of color

By Karalee Miller  
MCT

With bright being the new black this season, shoe lovers are doing a bit of sole-searching.

Yellow is one of the hottest shades this season — from canary to taxi cab — and shoe designers have given women plenty of options in achieving a sun-kissed look.

And, while it's true that yellow can be a hard color to pull off, it's not impossible. One of our favorite looks includes a pair of patent yellow heels, worn with dark denim jeans, a crisp white button-down and an arm-full armful of gold bangles. Or jazz up a basic black-and-white dress with a rousing pop of color below the ankle. Another hot look is nautical, balancing the simple allure of navy and white with a kicky splash of yellow.

What you most definitely want to avoid is looking like a certain beloved Sesame Street character of the winged variety. Head-to-toe anything is never recommended. With yellow being so brilliant, please don't in moderation.

"Yellow shoes work best as an accent and should add a pop of color to complete your look," says Shari Shakun, chief merchandising officer of SmartBargains.com, an online, off-price shopping site. "Stay away from mixing yellow and pastel colors or you run the risk of looking like an Easter egg."

You'll also want to avoid pairing yellow shoes with your beloved black.

"That just conjures up an image that you're heading back to the hive," says Gregg Andrews, a fashion director for Nordstrom.

Wear yellow shoes with:



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**SUNSHINE-Y SHOE:** Yellow is one of the hottest shades this year, from canary to taxicab.

Gray. "A gray sheath dress, yellow shoes and silver accessories is a really modern look," says Andrews.

White. "So many women are hesitant to wear white shoes, so yellow is a way to inject color into a white ensemble," Andrews says.

Citrus tones. Shades of orange and lime can look stunning when paired with yellow. For example, you might pair a leaf green dress with yellow shoes and gold accessories, Andrews says. Limit your look to two cit-

rus shades, and accent with gold or silver jewelry, to avoid looking over the top.

### Avoid:

Playing the match game. If you wear yellow shoes, you don't need a yellow purse, a yellow scarf and yellow bracelets.

Wearing pantyhose. Yellow shoes work best on medium to olive skin tones, Andrews says. "On pale skin, it could be overpowering."

Looking like a bag of Skittles. You want to keep the look from becoming too multi-colored.

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**SIMPLE IS BEST?** Members of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints prepare to meet with members of the press on the grounds of the Yearning For Zion Ranch near Eldorado, Texas, April 14, 2008. For a society accustomed to the likes of Paris Hilton and Lindsay Lohan, the images of the women from the polygamist compound in Texas are almost shocking in their understatement: Ankle-length dresses, makeup-less faces, uniform hair.

## Polygamist clothing has roots in 19th century

By Hillary Rhodes  
The Associated Press

For a society accustomed to the likes of Paris Hilton and Lindsay Lohan, the images of the women from the polygamist compound in Texas are almost shocking in their understatement: Ankle-length dresses, makeup-less faces, hauntingly uniform hair.

And while no one would accuse the women of making a fashion statement, the pioneer-style outfits are a rare example of how in an age of overexposure, modesty, too, can give pause.

The puff-sleeved, pastel dresses worn by the women in the sect are a combination of original 19th-century wear and 1950s clothing that was adopted when the church took a conservative turn, according to Janet Bennion, an anthropologist who studies polygamist women.

The dresses are meant to show modesty and conformity: They go down to the ankles and wrists, and are often worn over garments or pants, making sure every possibly provocative inch of skin is covered.

John Llewellyn, a polygamy expert and retired Salt Lake County sheriff's lieutenant, says the women cover themselves "so that they're unattractive to the outside world or other men."

The appearance of unity through uniform dress, how-

ever, can belie the jealousy that often arises when the women — who might all look alike to an outsider — find themselves in competition with one another over the affections of the same man, Llewellyn says.

The clothing is also stitched with special markings "to protect the body and to remind you of your commitment," Bennion says. She declined to go into detail about the stitchings because she said it would be an infraction against the community — a fundamentalist sect that broke from the mainline Mormon church, which disavows polygamy — to talk about their sacred symbols.

Pastel colors evoke femininity and don't come across as bold or strong, says Bennion, a professor at Lyndon State College in Vermont.

Then there's the question of the elaborate hairdos.

The women never cut their hair because they believe they will use it to wash Christ's feet during the Second Coming, Bennion says. A Biblical quote says a woman's hair should be her crowning glory.

The bangs are grown out and rolled (but usually not using a curling iron, because that would be too modern). There are sausage curls on the sides and often braids down the back.

The exact history of the hairstyle is unclear.